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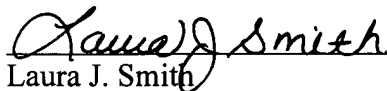
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Thomas et al.
Serial No. : 10/022,016
For : **Dual-Lid Cigarette Container and
Method of Packaging Cigarettes**
Filed : December 13, 2001
Examiner : Pickett, John G.
Art Unit : 3728

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STATEMENT REGARDING ISSUE FEE PAYMENT

Dear Sir:

A Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due was mailed on February 13, 2006 in connection with this Application. This is the second Notice of Allowance that we have received in connection with this Application. A first Notice of Allowance was mailed on December 29, 2004. Applicants paid the issue fee based on the first Notice of Allowance on March 24, 2005. The second Notice of Allowance mailed February 13, 2006 indicates that no additional fees are due. Accordingly, no issue fee payment is being submitted herewith.

However, should any fees be due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 16-1435. A duplicate of this sheet is attached for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

May 8, 2006

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